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PASS TO STATUS LNO

E.O. 11652: GDS 83

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SUBJECT: MICRONESIAN STATUS NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATUS LNO 319

1. WE WOULD PREFER NEGOTIATIONS WEEK OF OCTOBER 11 (OCT 10 IS HOLIDAY) IF THAT WOULD BE CONVENIENT FOR COM. FYI: BUSBY WILL BE UNAVILABLE THIRD WEEK, BUT COULD, IN A PINCH, SHOW UP OCTOBER 11-12. HOWEVER, SEEMS UNLIKELY DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF MARINE RESOURCES WILL COME UP IN FIRST ROUND AND, IF IT DOES NOT, WE COULD GO ALONG WITH THIRD WEEK. END FYI.

2. WE APPRECIATE INDICATION OF COM FLEXIBILITY INHERENT IN OFFER OF HAWAII AS SECOND CHOICE. USG WILLING TO MEET IN PONAPE IF CONFERENCE ROOM, HOTEL FACILITIES AND COMMUNICATION LINKS CAN STAND THE STRAIN AND OTHER PARTIES WILLING.
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FYI: WOULD LIKE TO PLEASE COM IN THIS SINCE WE LEANED ON THEM PRETTY HARD IN OUR STATE 197259 AND IN MY PRIVATE LETTER TO LEADERSHIP. WE INTERPRETED INITIAL REACTIONS FROM STATESIDE MARSHALLS AND PALAU COUNSEL TO BE POSITIVE. SUBSEQUENT REACTION FROM TONY DE BRUM REACHED IN HAWAII BY LAWYER, WAS STRONGLY NEGATIVE. HE CITED FEAR FOR PERSONAL

SAFETY IN PONAPE. ALSO SAID MARSHALLS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION HAD TOLD NITIJELA THAT NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE IN "NEUTRAL" SITE AND THAT THERE WAS SOME FACE INVESTED IN THAT. DE BRUM'S RESPONSE HAS SWAYED HIS AND THE PALAU LAWYERS INTO A MORE NERVOUS STANCE. OUR INCLINATION IS NOT TO ALLOW THIS NON-SUBSTANTIVE ISSUE TO BALLOON INTO TEST OF STRENGTH. HOWEVER, WE WILL NOT ALLOW DE BRUM ALONE TO CALL THE SHOTS. END FYI.

3. HENCE, YOU CAN INFORM CFPST AND MARSHALL AND PALAU STATUS COMMISSIONS THAT WE PROPOSE HOSTING NEXT NEGOTIATING ROUND AT A TIME AND PLACE TO BE ESTABLISHED DURING COURSE OF OUR VISIT, FYI: CONSIDERING SCRAPPING DESIGNATION OF FORTHCOMING ROUND AS NINTH ROUND TO UNDERLINE "NEW CHAPTER" THEME IN NEGOTIATIONS. END FYI. YOU MAY IMPLY TO CFPST THAT IT WILL PROBABLY BE HAWAII. WILL SO INDICATE IN MEETING WITH THEIR LAWYER THIS AFTERNOON. WE WILL ALSO CONFER WITH MARSHALLS LAWYER SOME MORE TO SEE IF WE CAN BRING THEM AROUND WITHOUT MAKING IT AN ISSUE, BUT DOUBT WE WILL GET TIME AND PLACE SETTLED PRIOR TRIP. ROSENBLATT SENDS.

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